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The amendment was put and carried.

Clause 1 as amended was put and carried.

The Preamble was put and carried.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Sir, I move—

'That the Madras General Sales Tax (Third Amendment) Bill, 1961 (L.A. Bill No. 26 of 1961) as amended be passed.'

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The question is—

'That the Madras General Sales Tax (Third Amendment) Bill, 1961 (L.A. Bill No. 26 of 1961) as amended be passed.'

The motion was put and carried and the Bill as amended was passed.

II—ANNOUNCEMENTS—*cont.*

(2) THE MADRAS CITY MUNICIPAL (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1961.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : I have to announce to the House that the Governor has given his recommendation for the consideration in the Legislative Assembly of the Madras City Municipal (Amendment) Bill, 1961.

III—GOVERNMENT BILLS—*cont.*

(2) THE MADRAS CITY MUNICIPAL (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1961.
(L.A. BILL NO. 35 OF 1961).

* THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDAMMAL SIMON : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I beg to move—

'That the Madras City Municipal (Amendment) Bill, 1961 (L.A. Bill No. 35 of 1961) be taken into consideration.'

It is proposed to amend certain provisions of the Madras City Municipal Act, 1919 (Madras Act IV of 1919).

The White Paper on the Reform of Local Administration in Madras State included also proposals for the reform of the Madras City Municipal Administration. The changes contemplated in the White Paper in regard to the Corporation of Madras can be classified into three heads, namely :—

(i) Reform of the composition of the Council and the Council constituencies;

(ii) Reorganization of Standing Committees and resettlement of their functions; and

(iii) Reform of the system of appointment to key posts in the services of the Corporation.

A Legislature Committee consisting of hon. Members of both Houses of the Legislature was constituted to advise the Minister for Local Administration in finalizing the White Paper proposals and in pursuance of the decisions taken by the Legislature Committee regarding the reform of the composition of the Council and